Ibid.

February 2 in the Continental Army as part of the Quota of Troops of this State Liber No. 78 to be commanded by a Major and to request that you will fill up Commissions according to the Officers belonging to said Companies, who are to take Rank agreeable to the Date of their Commissions and that you will fill up Commissions to such officers who may be recommended by this Board to supply the Vacancies. We wish to have your Answer as speedily as possible.

Ibid. [Council to Treasurers of the Western and Eastern Shores.]

By a Resolution of the General Assembly of the 1st Instant the Bonds of several Collectors are to be put in Suit unless the Monies due from them are paid by the 20th Instant. We therefore request you to transmit to this Board an Account of the Balances which may remain due from the several Collectors of your shore after the 20th Instant that the above Resolution may be carried into Effect.

[Council to Mr. Henry Dickeson.]

We request you to deliver to Colonel Forrest or order three hundred Hogsheads of Tobacco on such Ware Houses as he may direct any Part thereof that the Treasury will afford

Ibid. [Council to Henry Courtenay, Esqr.]

Yours of the 31st Ult. respecting the Cloths we have received and in Answer, request you to send us a Sample of the Cloths, the Prices and your Terms of Payment. They are such Articles as are much wanting and if we approve your Terms, shall purchase them most chearfully. If the Stockings are proper for Soldiers and the Price not too extravagant we will contract for them also. We shall be glad to be favored with your Answer as soon as convenient.

Ibid. [Council to Capt. William Middleton.]

You are to receive on board your Boat the Dolphin one 6<sup>11</sup> Cannon wheels and Carriage 100 Stand of Arms, 1000 Flints 2 Barrels of Powder one of Cannon the other of Musket, which you are to deliver to the Lieutenant of Dorset County for the use of the Militia of that County at Cambridge. You are then to proceed down the Bay as far as Patuxent, to the Relief of M<sup>r</sup> Berry who is stationed there as a lookout and dispatch him immediately with whatever Intelligence he p. 50 may have relative to the Movements of the Enemy; and you are then to proceed down as far as you can with safety for the Purpose of discovering with Certainty, where the Enemy are, and what there Designs may be, which you are to communicate to this Board as speedily as possibly.